HEMBREE, Greg [R]—(Dist. No. 28, Dillon-Horry Cos.)—Atty.; residing at 4509 Lake Cir., Little River; b. Aug. 21, 1960 in Ft. Leonardwood, Mo.; s. John H. and Mary E. Hembree; g. Univ. of Memphis, B.B.A. in Economics, 1982; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1985; Dec. 7, 1985 m. Renee Robertson, 3 children, Nora Taylor, Ellen Hall, and John Isaac; 15th Circuit Solicitor



(Horry & Georgetown Cos.), 1999–12; N. Myrtle Beach City Atty., 1995–99; S.C. rep. to the Natl. Dist. Attys. Assn., 2009–12; S.C. Rep. Party Local Official Award, 2009; S.C. Law Enforcement Victim Advocates Solicitor of the Year Award, 2009; Waccamaw Amer. Leadership Forum Charter mem.; Col. Lemuel Benton Chap. of Sons of the Amer. Revolution Pres., 2006–07; N. Myrtle Beach Rotary Club mem.; Grand Strand Running Club Charter mem.; Ocean Drive Presbyterian Church Elder; prev. serv. in Sen. 2013–15.

HUTTO, Brad [D]—(Dist. No. 40, Allendale-Bamberg-Barnwell-Colleton-Hampton-Orangeburg Cos.)—Trial Lawyer; residing at 1330 Tolly Ganly Cir., Orangeburg; b. Aug. 6, 1957 in Orangeburg; s. Charles L. and Harriet L. Hutto; g. Honors Prog. at Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1978; Georgetown Univ. Law Center, J.D., 1981; July 20, 1985 m. Tracy D. Macpherson, 1 child, Skyler



B.; Chm., Orangeburg Co. Dem. Party, 1988–94; Eagle Scout, Vigil Honor, Order of the Arrow; prev. serv. in Sen. Apr. 30, 1996–15.

JACKSON, Darrell, Sr. [D]—(Dist. No. 21, Richland Co.)—Senior Pastor, Bible Way Church of Atlas Rd.; residing at 608 Motley Rd., Hopkins; b. Feb. 1, 1957 in Columbia; s. the late Bishop Andrew C. and Janie (Lumpkin) Jackson; g. Benedict Coll., B.A. (Pres. of the Student Govt. Assn.); Cola. Intl. Univ., M.A.; m. Willie Mae Rooks, 2 adult children, Darrell, Jr. and Antoine



Joseph, 1 granddaughter: former Bd. of Dirs. & mem...

Denny's Corp.; SisterCare, Inc.; former Bd. of Trustees & mem., Benedict Coll.; former Bd. of Dirs. & mem., Big Brothers Big Sisters; former Trustee, United Way of the Midlands; Benedict Coll. Most Distinguished Student Award, 1979; Phi Beta Sigma Comm. Serv. Award, 1995; Omega Psi Phi Frat. Citizen of the Year Award, 1999; Richland School Dist. One Outstanding Legislator of the Year Award, 1999; Modjeska Monteith Simkins Political Courage Award, 2000; Outstanding Legis. Initiative, S.C. Victims Assistance Network, 2000; Hon. Degree, Benedict Coll., 2002; Hon. Degree, Richard Stockton Coll., Pomona, N.J., 2002; Carolina Scholarship Inc. Lifetime Achievement Award, 2003; Webster Univ. Lifetime Achievement Award, 2004; Allen Univ. Richard Allen Award, 2008; S.C. Law Enforcement Assn. Humanitarian of the Year, 2008; Phi Beta Sigma African Amer. Male Image Award, 2008; S.C. Primary Health Care Assn. Comm. Health Center Champion Award, 2009; Young Stroke, Inc. Champion Award, 2010; Amer. Heart Assn. Legislator of the Year Award, 2011; S.C. State Univ. Distinguished Comm. Serv. Award, 2012; S.C. Employees Assn. Distinguished Serv. Award, 2013; S.C. Chamber of Commerce Bus. Advocate Award, 2014; Cola. Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Advocate for Bus. Award, 2015; prev. serv. in Sen. 1993-15.



JOHNSON, Kevin L. [D]—(Dist. No. 36, Clarendon-Darlington-Florence-Sumter Cos.)—Retired; residing in Manning; b. Sept. 27, 1960 in Ft. Campbell, Ky.; s. the late Willie L. and the late Sallie M. Johnson; g. Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1982; July 5, 1987 m. Gloria Richardson, 3 children, Kimberly, Kenneth, and Kyndra; mem.: Clarendon School Dist. Two, 1988–00; Chm.,

Black River Healthcare, Inc., 1988–04; Manning City Council, 1994–00; Leadership S.C., 1995; Natl. Conf. of Black Mayors, 2003–09; Pres., S.C. Conf. of Black Mayors, 2004–10; S.C. Exec. Inst., 2006; Santee-Lynches Council of Govt.; Mayor, City of Manning, 2000–11; S.C. Assn. of Regional Councils, 2002–11; Diversity Leaders Initiative, 2011; Clarendon Co. Chamber of Commerce; Harvin Clarendon Co. Library; Regional Counter Terrorism Coordinating Council; Chm., Clarendon Co. Legis.

Delegation; mem. & Chm., Bd. of Trustees, Ebenezer Baptist Church; House of Reps. Apr. 5, 2011–12; prev. serv. in Sen. 2013–15.

KIMPSON, Marlon E. [D]—(Dist. No. 42, Charleston-Dorchester Cos.)—Atty.; residing in Charleston; b. Apr. 15 in Columbia; s. Milton and Wilhelmina Kimpson; g. Morehouse Coll., B.A., 1991; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1999; m. Kimberlyn Davis, 1 child, Marleigh; mem.: Omega Psi Phi Frat, 1989–; S.C. Assn. for Justice, 1997–; Law Clerk, Hon. Matthew J. Perry, 1999–00; Univ. of



S.C. School of Law Compleat Lawyer Award, 1999; Chm., S.C. Election Comm., 2001–03; mem., Univ. of S.C. Bd. of Visitors, 2006–09; life mem., NAACP, 2011–; named one of the 2014 Best Lawyers in America® for mass tort litigation/class action litigation; selected for the Liberty Fellowship Class of 2016; mem., Morris Brown A.M.E. Church, 2002–; prev. serv. in Sen. Oct. 1, 2013–15.

LEATHERMAN, Hugh Kenneth, Sr., Pres. *Pro Tempore* (for biography and picture, see p. 20).

LOURIE, Joel [D]—(Dist. No. 22, Kershaw-Richland Cos.)—Ins. Sales & Marketing; residing at 3 Lakecrest Dr., Columbia; b. Sept. 24, 1962 in Columbia; s. the late Isadore and Susan (Reiner) Lourie; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1984; Jan. 27, 1990 m. Rebecca Baum, 2 children, Rachel and Sam; Adv. Bd. for the Cola. Jewish Comm. Center; Richland Dist. Two Reconnecting



Comms. and Schools; Richland Two Bus. Adv. Council; 2009 Champion of Health Care Award; 2008 Advocate of the Year from S.C. Alive At 25 Prog.; 2008 AARP recognition; 2008–10 Liberty Fellowship Prog.; 2007 Star of Justice Award—Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities, Inc.; 2006 Humane Soc. State Legislator Award; 2006 Seat Belt Champion Award from the Meharry-State Farm Alliance; 2006 State Safety Leadership Award from the Natl. Transportation Safety Bd.; 2005 S.C. Comm. on Natl. and Comm.

Serv. Legislator of the Year; 2005 S.C. Public Health Assn. Legislator of the Year; 2004 Legis. Award from the S.C. Counseling Assn.; 2004 Advocate Award from the S.C. School Improvement Council; 2002 Advocate Award from the Natl. Alliance for the Mentally Ill; 2004 and 2006 Legis. Appreciation Awards from S.C. Victims Assistance Network: 2003 Legislator of the Year Award for the Natl. Assn. of Social Workers; House Leader on the Gov.'s Nuclear Waste Task Force; 2000 Alliance for S.C.'s Child Advocacy Leadership Award; 2000 Senior Advocacy Award from Senior Resources; 2000 S.C. Dept. of Health and Environmental Control Legislator of the Year Award; 2000 Distinguished Serv. Award from the S.C. Assn. of Non-Profit Organizations; 2010 Commitment Award from the Natl. Safety Council Alive At 25 Program; 2011 Legislator of the Year from the S.C. Recreation & Parks Assn.; 2011 Recognition Award from the March of Dimes; 2012 Star Legislator for Autism Award; 2013 Legislator of the Year, S.C. Human Serv. Providers; "2013 Legis. Champions" by Mothers Against Drunk Driving; 2015 S.C. Amer. Academy of Pediatrics Child Advocate Award; 2015 Comm. Relations Council Hyman Rubin, Sr. Distinguished Serv. Award; House of Reps. 1999-04; prev. serv. in Sen. 2005-15.



MALLOY, Gerald [D]—(Dist. No. 29, Chesterfield-Darlington-Lee-Marlboro Cos.)—Atty.; residing at 1216 Salem Rd., Hartsville; b. Oct. 26, 1961 in Chesterfield Co.; s. John A. and Geraldine Malloy; g. Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1984, J.D., 1988; continued studies in the Professional Masters of Bus. Admin.; July 8, 1989 m. Davita McFarland, 4 children, Donovan, Jonathan,

Jordan, and Morgan; admitted to practice in the S.C. Courts and Fed. Dist. Court; past Pres., S.C. Trial Lawyers Assn.; mem., S.C. Supreme Court Comm. on Lawyer Conduct, 1996–02; served on Judicial Qualifications Com. of the S.C. Bar Assn.; Rep. for Fourth Judicial Circuit for Young Lawyers Div., S.C. Bar Assn.; Chm., Public Defenders Bd. of Darlington Co. Bar Assn.; Chm., Hartsville Recreation Com.; former Pres., Hartsville Northern Youth Baseball League; served on Hartsville Downtown Dev. Bd.; Univ. of S.C. Alumni Bd.; life

mem., Univ. of S.C. Alumni Assn.; helped establish Butler Heritage Foundation; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn., Comr., Indigent Defense Comm.; hon. life mem., S.C. Public Defender Investigators Assn. Bd.; Gov.'s School for Science and Math Foundation Bd.; Appeals Com. for the S.C. Comm. on Higher Educ. Bd.; Center for Educator, Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement (CERRA); Chm., S.C. Criminal Justice Task Force in S.C. Sen., 2006-; life mem., Univ. of S.C. Letterman Assn.; Lions Club Intl.; life mem., Omega Psi Phi Frat, Inc.; recipient of the Home Rule Award by S.C. Assn. of Counties, 2003; recipient of the S.C. Library Assn. Friend of the Libraries, 2004; inducted into the Natl. Honor Roll for the Natl. Library Assn., 2005; recognized by S.C. Dept. of Juvenile Justice for support of Teen After School Centers (TASC) Prog., 2007; recipient of the S.C. Public Defender Assn. Legislator of the Year Award, 2007; recipient of the S.C. Comm. on Indigent Defense Distinguished Serv. Award, 2008 (this award was named the Gerald Malloy Distinguished Serv. Award and is awarded annually); recipient of the S.C. Fraternal Order of Police Legislator of the Year, 2010; recipient of the S.C. Assn. of Criminal Defense Lawyers Legislator of the Year Award, 2010; recipient of the YMCA Legislator of the Year, 2013; Chm., Sentencing Reform Oversight Com.; mem.: Judicial Merit Selection Comm., 2013; Jerusalem Men's Ensemble, Bd. of Trustees; Chm., Fin. Com., Jerusalem Baptist Church; prev. serv. in Sen. Nov. 5, 2002-15.

MARTIN, Larry A. [R]—(Dist. No. 2, *Pickens* Co.)—Textiles, Alice Mfg. Co.; residing in Pickens; *g.* Pickens High School; attended Tri-Co. Tech. Coll.; *m.* Susan Lynn Evatt, 3 children; Pickens First Baptist Church; Moderator and Sun. School Teacher; past Chm. of Bd., S.C. 4-H Foundation; Pres., Pickens Co. United Way, 1983; Adv. Bd., Pickens First Natl. Bank,



1987–90; Econ. Dev. Comm., Southern Legis. Conf.; Adv. Bd., Rocky Bottom Camp of the Blind; Bd. for Partnership & Career Educ.; Chm., Gov.'s School-to-Work Council, 1997–99; Tax Study Comm., 1998; listed in *Outstanding Young Men of America*, 1979; Who's Who in Amer. Politics, 1981–82, 1983–84;

Personalities of the South, 1982–83; Natl. Fed. of Independent Businesses "Guardian of Small Business" Award, 1999; S.C. Chamber of Commerce Public Servant of the Year, 2002; S.C. Assn. of Cos. "Guardian of Home Rule" Award, 2003; Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Area Mental Health "Patrick B. Harris Humanitarian Award for Public Serv.," 2003; hon. mem., Pickens Rotary Club; 2004 Legislator of the Year Award by the Natl. Fed. of the Blind of S.C.; Legislator of the Year for the Sen. by the S.C. Human Serv. Providers Assn., 2005; Natl. Alliance on Mental Illness "Mental Illness Champion 2006"; Greenville Hosp. System Children's Hosp. Dev. Council "Legis. Advocacy Award for 2006"; S.C. Comm. for the Blind Legislator of the Year, 2006; Conservation Voters of S.C., 2006 "Conservation Champion"; S.C. Manufacturers Alliance "Defender of Manufacturing 2007" Award; Fraternal Order of Police, "2007 Senator of the Year"; S.C. Apartment Assn., "2007 Legislator of the Year"; Chair, Jt. Study Com. on Criminal Domestic Violence; Home Builders Assn. of S.C., "2008 Hammer & Trowel Award"; Palmetto Family Council, "2008 Legislator of the Year"; special recognition of serv. by S.C. Baptist Convention, Nov. 2008; S.C. REALTORS, "2009 Legislator of the Year"; S.C. Educ. Assn. Friend of Educ., 2011; S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2012 Bus. Advocate Award; Citizens for Sound Conservation, 2012 Peas and Carrots Award; S.C. Farm Bureau Fed. Legislator of the Year, 2012; S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2013 Bus. Advocate Award; S.C. Sheriffs' Assn., Legislator of the Year, 2013; Behavioral Health Servs. Assn. of S.C., Legislator of the Year, 2013; MADD, 2014 Legislator of the Year; S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2014 Bus. Advocate Award; S.C. BIPEC, 2014 Sword and Mace Award; United Way, 2015 S.C. Common Good Award for Volunteerism; House of Reps. 1979-92; prev. serv. in Sen. 1993-15.



MARTIN, Shane R. [R]—(Dist. No. 13, Greenville-Spartanburg-Union Cos.)—Engineer/Bus. Owner; residing in Spartanburg Co.; b. Dec. 31, 1971 in Spartanburgs. Shellie and Cheryl Martin; g. Clemson Univ., B.S., 1994, M.S., 1999; June 7, 1997 m. Amy M., 2 children, Ashlyn and Aidan; Bd. of Trustees, Spartanburg Co. School

Dist. Six, 2005–08; mem., Amer. Soc. of Mechanical Engineers, 1994–; Chm., Spartanburg Co. Legis. Del.; hon. mem., Pacolet Lions Club; Friend of the Taxpayer, S.C. Assn. of Taxpayers; Deacon, Philadelphia Baptist Church; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–15.

MASSEY, A. Shane [R]—(Dist. No. 25, Aiken-Edgefield-Lexington-McCormick-Saluda Cos.)—Atty; residing in Edgefield; b. June 28, 1975 in Greeneville, Tenn.; s. Gary M. and Linda S. Massey; g. Clemson Univ., B.A., 1997; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 2000; Jan. 31, 2004 m. Blair Leigh Ballard; 11th Judicial Circuit Juvenile Arbitration Prog., Volunteer Arbitrator; Strom Thur-



mond High School Mock Trial Team, Atty.-coach; Johnston Dev. Bd.; Aiken Rep. Club, Bd. of Dirs., 2006, Pres., 2007; Edgefield Co. First Steps, Bd. of Dirs., 2006–08; Johnston Lions Club; Edgefield Co. United Way, Bd. of Dirs.; Aiken Sertoma Club; Providence Baptist Church, Deacon and Sun. School Teacher; prev. serv. in Sen. Nov. 6, 2007–15.

MATTHEWS, John Wesley, Jr. [D]—(Dist. No. 39, Berkeley-Calhoun-Colleton-Dorchester-*Orangeburg* Cos.)—Businessman/Retired Elementary School Principal; residing in Bowman, R-1; b. Apr. 21, 1940 in Bowman; s. the late John Wesley, Sr. and the late Victoria (Williams) Matthews; g. S.C. State Coll.; Orangeburg-Calhoun Tech. Coll., 1970–71; Lincoln Elec. Inst.,



Cleveland, Ohio, 1972; Hon. Ph.D., Coll. of Charleston; Hon. Ph.D., S.C. State Univ; Feb. 5, 1961 m. the late Geraldine Hillard, 5 children, Cynthia John, Michael Andre, Stephanie Renata, John Wesley III, and Brian DeReef; mem., Alpha Phi Alpha Frat; former Chm., S.C. Legis. Black Caucus; Chm., Orangeburg Co. Legis. Delegation; Southern Regional Educ. Bd.; Distinguished Alumni Award, S.C. State Univ.; Orangeburg Co. Dem. of the Year; Minority Bus. Advocate of the Year, U.S. Small Bus. Admin.; Induction in the S.C. Black Hall of Fame; S.C. Primary Health Care Legislator of the Year; S.C. Chamber of Commerce Bus. Advocate Award; Congressman James

Clyburn and Congressman John Spratt Public Serv. Award; Chm., Orangeburg Co. Leadership Delegation; S.C. Bd. of Educ. Oversight; mem., Pineville United Methodist Church; House of Reps. 1975–84; prev. serv. in Sen. 1985–15.



MATTHEWS, Margie Bright [D]—(Dist. No. 45, Allendale-Beaufort-Charleston-Colleton-Hampton-Jasper Cos.)—Atty., office at 205 E. Washington St., Walterboro; b. Feb. 10 in Walterboro; d. Herbert Garfield and Jessie Rine Davis Bright; g. Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1985, Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1989; Oct. 24, 1992 m. Patrick F. Matthews, 4 children, Jessica

Devan Bright, Patrice Corrin Matthews, Meredith Whitney Matthews, and Mattison Bright Matthews; Pres., Colleton Co. Bar Assn.; Amer. Assn. for Justice (AAJ), State Del.; SCAJ, Bd. of Govs.; Certified Circuit Court Mediator; elected in Special Election Oct. 20, 2015, to fulfill the unexpired term of Clementa C. Pinckney, deceased.



McELVEEN, J. Thomas III [D]—(Dist. No. 35, Kershaw-Lee-Richland-Sumter Cos.)—Atty.; residing at 12 Frank Clarke St., Sumter; b. Feb. 17, 1978 in Sumter; s. Joe and Kathy (Watson) McElveen; g. Davidson Coll., B.A., 2000; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 2003; Aug. 13, 2011 m. Bronwyn Kelson McKnew, 1 child, Adelaide Watson: Leadership Sumter. Class

XVII; prosecuted cases for the Sumter Co. Sheriff's Off., 2004; former asst. public defender, Sumter Co., 2004–05; Greater Sumter Chamber of Commerce, Bd. of Dirs., 2009–10; Judicial Qualifications Com., S.C. Bar, 2009–12; Shaw-Sumter Comm. Council; Sumter Sertoma Club; S.C. Chamber of Commerce Bus. Advocate Award, 2013; State Legis. Leaders Foundation Emerging Leaders Program, 2013; VC, Sen. Sportsmen's Caucus; Leadership S.C., Class of 2014; "20 under 40" by *The State* newspaper, 2014; Wilson Hall Distinguished Alumni Award, 2014; mem., First Presbyterian Church, Sumter, Deacon and Youth Council Advisor; prev. serv. in Sen. 2013–15.

NICHOLSON, Floyd "Coach Nick" [D]—(Dist. No. 10, Abbeville-Greenwood-McCormick-Saluda Cos.)—Retired Educator; residing at 527 Bryte St., Greenwood; b. July 26, 1949 in Greenwood; s. Marion N. and Nona Nicholson; g. S.C. State Univ., B.S., 1972; 1977 m. Mamie W., 3 children, Douglas Anthony, Cedric Antonio, and Floyd Michael; Greenwood City Council.



1982–93; Chm., Upper Savannah Council of Govts., 1990–92; Mayor, City of Greenwood, 1994–08; Hon. Doctor of Humanities, Lander Univ., 1997; Pres., S.C. Municipal Assn., 2001; mem., Jim Rex Supt. of Educ. Transition Team, 2006; Higher Educ., Efficiency, Effectiveness, and Accountability Review Com.; prev. serv. in Sen. 2009–15.

PEELER, Harvey Smith, Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 14, Cherokee-Spartanburg-Union-York Cos.)—Dairyman/Businessman; residing at 3033 Old Georgia Hwy., Gaffney; b. Sept. 8, 1948 in Gaffney; s. the late H. Smith, Sr. and Sally (Bratton) Peeler; g. Clemson Univ., B.S., 1970; Aug. 8, 1969 m. Ila LaDonna Caudill, 3 children, Brantlee Rene, Harvey Smith III, and Boone



Solomon; mem.: Gaffney First Baptist Church; Mason; Shriner; Amer. Jersey Cattle Assn.; Amer. Legion; Cherokee Co. Council, 1977–80; Sen. Majority Leader, 2005–; mil. serv.: Lt., USA, 1970–72; prev. serv. in Sen. 1981–15.

RANKIN, Luke A. [R]—(Dist. No. 33, Horry Co.)—Atty.; residing at 3745 Waterford Dr., Myrtle Beach; b. Apr. 9, 1962 in Horry Co.; s. O. A. and Dorothy S. Rankin; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1984, J.D., 1987; 2 children, Luke, Jr. and Hollings; May 28, 2011 m. Lindsey Bonds; prev. serv. in Sen. 1993—15.

